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2023

# Hello, Penola!

## Community Bank · Penola & District

### Save the Date

Penola & District Financial Services Ltd will hold the Annual General Meeting on Thursday November 2nd, 2023.

Details are still being finalised, but it is aimed at being the same format as last year.

We welcome all shareholders, grant and sponsorship recipients, customers and potential customers to attend.

The Community Banking Model allows for financial services within our town and often brings people from within the region to town to do their banking!

In the lead up to the Annual General Meeting, please stay tuned for the official notification as well as contact from Tara Batt to ensure your details are up to date. Should you have any feedback to provide, please feel free to share at this opportunity.



### From the Chair

Happy end of the financial year! For us this also means audit time. As a publicly owned company we are audited twice a year to ensure we are meeting our governance and compliance obligations.

We were excited to celebrate the 9<sup>th</sup> birthday of the branch in June, we hope you enjoyed the biscuits from Pichnic!

We celebrated reaching \$300,000 of community contributions and congratulate the Penola Football Club on winning the \$1,000 grant! We thank you, the shareholders, for your continued support of our branch, enabling us to make these contributions!

Recently 2 directors have retired from the board, on behalf of the Directors and Staff, I would like to thank Tom Pearce and Michael Palm for their contributions. This leaves vacant positions on the board. If you have strong business acumen, event organisation and marketing skills, we would welcome your application. All Director positions are voluntary taking 2-5 hours of your time per month. Reach out for further information.



## 2023 Grants & Sponsorships

Penola & District Community Rodeo, Penola High School - Artist in Residence, Coonawarra Vignerons Association - Vignerons Cup, Penola Football & Netball Club, SE Field Days - Yard Dog Trials, Naracoorte Horse Trials, Penola Coonawarra Acoustic Music Gathering, Kowree Naracoorte Tatiara Football League, Kalangadoo Primary School, Naracoorte Racing Club, Penola Coonawarra Arts Festival and the School Essentials Program covering Penola High School, Penola Primary School, Mary Mackillop Memorial School, Mckay Children's Centre, Nangwarry Primary School, Kalangadoo Primary School

### Talk to us today

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## 300,000th Dollar

In July, we called for nominations of local projects, events and clubs to spend the 300,000th Dollar of community contributions in the Penola area!

The winning nomination was the Penola Football Club, who applied for the funding to install a defibrillator machine externally on the Penola Sports Club. This will be available for any users of the McCorquindale Park facilities.

This initiative perfectly embodies the community spirit which the Bendigo Bank Community Banking Model is based on! Congratulations to the Penola Football Club!



## Get Home Safe - Driver Ed

Over 600 teenagers are injured on our roads each year - You can do something about it! If your child has their Learners Licence (or is due to get it this year or next) then this will be an essential session for you as a parent or carer.

- Do you know how to develop and build their driving experiences?
- Do you know how to reduce the risk of crashing or change the severity of the outcome?
- Are you really prepared for the task of supervising a novice driver?
- Have you kept up-to-date with road rule changes?
- Do you know what to look for in a Driving Instructor?
- Do you know what to look for regarding your child's first car?

**Date:** 24th August 2023

**Time:** 6pm start

**Location:** Penola High School

Open to all parents to attend this informative session!